

SECOND REGULAR SESSION

HOUSE BILL NO. 2344

101ST GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVE DERGES.

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DANA RADEMAN MILLER, Chief Clerk

AN ACT

To amend chapter 266, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to warnings on pet food, with penalty provisions.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Chapter 266, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be known as section 266.172, to read as follows:

266.172. 1. This section shall be known and may be cited as the "Pet Protection Act".

2. Any person or entity licensed to distribute wholesale or retail pet food or pet snacks to be sold in this state shall place a warning on such pet food or pet snacks that are imported into the United States.

3. The warning shall be placed in a permanent and conspicuous location on the outside packaging of all such imported pet food or pet snacks. The warning dimensions shall be a minimum of one inch by two inches. The warning shall have a border around the outside edge and shall contain at least the following wording: "WARNING: Use of this product may cause serious injury to or the death of your pet."

4. Any person failing to place a warning under this section is guilty of a misdemeanor as described in section 266.210 and may be subject to an administrative or civil penalty under section 266.212.

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EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets **[thus]** in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.